

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff(s),

v.

1. TOMMY PHAM,
2. DONFEUY SAEPHAN,
4. SANG TRAN, and
5. THEODORE NATION,

Defendant(s).

CASE NO. CR25-00002-KKE

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO
CONTINUE TRIAL

The Government and Defendant Tommy Pham, Defendant Donfeuy Saephan, Defendant Sang Tran, and Defendant Theodore Nation (collectively “Stipulating Defendants”) filed a motion to continue the trial date. Dkt. No. 51. The Court has considered the reasons for the motion, the agreement of the Government and the Stipulating Defendants, and the remainder of the record, and finds that:

1. Taking into account the exercise of due diligence, a failure to grant a continuance in this case would deny defense counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation due to counsel’s need for more time to review the evidence, consider possible defenses, and gather evidence material to the defense, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv); and

2. A failure to grant such a continuance in this proceeding would likely result in a miscarriage of justice, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i); and
3. The additional time requested is a reasonable period of delay, as Stipulating Defendants have requested more time to prepare for trial, to investigate the matter, to gather evidence material to the defense, and to consider possible defenses; and
4. The ends of justice will be best served by a continuance, and the ends of justice outweigh the best interests of the public and the Stipulating Defendants in any speedier trial, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A); and
5. The additional time requested between the current trial date of March 24, 2025, and the new trial date is necessary to provide defense counsel the reasonable time necessary to prepare for trial, considering counsel's schedule and all of the fact set forth above.

The motion of the Government and the Stipulating Defendants (Dkt. No. 51) is therefore GRANTED. The trial date is continued to 9:30 a.m. on December 1, 2025. Pretrial motions, including motions in limine, shall be filed no later than October 22, 2025.

IT IS ORDERED that the period of delay from the date of this order to the new trial date of December 1, 2025, is excludable time under 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(7)(A) and (h)(7)(B)(iv).

Dated this 24th day of February, 2025.



Kymberly K. Evanson
United States District Judge